

**COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC & HUMAN DEVELOPMENT
JUNE 6, 2002**

ACTION MINUTES

THE FOLLOWING MINUTES ARE A SUMMARY OF ACTIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMUNITY, ECONOMIC, AND HUMAN DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE. AUDIO CASSETTE TAPES OF THE ACTUAL MEETING ARE AVAILABLE FOR LISTENING IN SCAG's OFFICE.

The Community, Economic & Human Development Committee held its meeting at the Universal Hotel, Universal City CA. There was a quorum.

1.0 CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alexander, CEHD Vice-Chair, called the meeting to order at 10:11 a.m.

1.1 PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no Public Comments at this time.

2.0 ELECTION OF CHAIR AND VICE-CHAIR

Mayor Alexander, Vice-Chair of CEHD opened the floor for nominations for Chair and Vice-Chair.

Mayor Pro Tem Perry nominated and Mayor DeSantis seconded Mayor William Alexander City of Rancho Cucamonga to serve as Chair.

Councilmember Bauer nominated and Councilmember Harkema seconded Councilmember Alta Duke, City of La Palma as Vice-Chair for this Committee.

The nominations for Chair (Alexander) and Vice-Chair (Duke) were UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

3.0 CONSENT CALENDAR

The following consent calendar items were MOVED (Perry) SECONDED (Comerchero) and UNANIMOUSLY APPROVED.

3.1 Approval Items

3.1.1 Minutes of April 4, 2002

3.2 Receive and File

3.2.1 Growth Visioning Subcommittee – Minutes for April 2002

3.2.2 Legislative Position Summary

Jacob Lieb, SCAG Senior Planner, reported to the Committee that SB 910 (Dunn) on Housing Element Penalties was approved by the Assembly Local Government Committee. He mentioned that our official position on this bill is in opposition. He said there is a possibility that some of the amendments would be more favorable to Local Governments and Regional Entities and if the League of Cities is willing to support the bill at some time staff will bring this back for this Committee's consideration.

3.2.3 Community Issues Forum on "Housing Challenges and Solutions" Announcement. Forum is Co-sponsored by SCAG and the Gas Company to be held June 26, 2002 at the Hilton Hotel in Universal City

At this time the Chair asked Attorney Colin Lennard to bring the Committee up to date on the RHNA litigation. Mr. Lennard said that the Court has yet to make a ruling/judgement on this matter and it is his understanding that the HCD lawyers have also been calling the Courts and they too have not heard any news.

4.0 ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Local Review Process on the Socioeconomic Trend Projections

Huasha Liu, Manager of Planning Data and Forecasting introduced Jihong McDermott, Senior Regional staff who then reported on this issue saying that staff recommends that all of the local review effort be focused on the trend projections because this is the basis for developing the baseline projection and the plan forecast.

There was discussion regarding the importance of local input and the need to inform jurisdictions on the process and schedule. A suggestion was made that a notice be sent out to all jurisdictions, City Managers, Subregional Directors and Planner Directors of the upcoming November deadline for their responses.

It was MOVED (Perry) SECONDED (McTaggart) and UNANIMOUSLY agreed to approve the FTTF one step review process, and in addition, mail to all Mayors, City Managers, Planning Directors, and Transportation Directors a letter and flow chart alerting them to the upcoming process so that the impending event can be easily seen.

5.0 INFORMATION ITEMS

5.1 Affordable Housing in Huntington Beach

Councilmember Ralph Bauer opened this item by sharing with the Committee some concerns in the area of affordable housing, and then he introduced Mr. David Biggs who would be giving a presentation.

Mr. David Biggs, Director of Economic Development in the City of Huntington Beach gave a power point presentation on the approaches used by the City to produce affordable housing. Mr. Biggs and his Associated also participated in this presentation.

There was a discussion and the Chair thanked Mr. Biggs and his Associate for an excellent presentation.

5.2 Mid-Level Socioeconomic Model Development

Steve Weiner, Senior Economist, reported that staff has prepared a report on the potential costs to develop a mid-level socioeconomic forecasting model. He stated that SCAG wishes to acquire a model that will provide essential socioeconomic data crucial to the development of the 2004 RTP.

The Chair thanked Mr. Weiner for the information.

53. Co-Sponsor Local Government Commission Workshops

Joe Carreras, Lead Regional Planner, wanted to make the Committee aware of several initiatives to promote more infill development through the work with outside partners. He mentioned that SCAG is a HUD technical assistance provider and one of the partner providers, the Local Government Commission, is developing a series of workshops on infill development. He went on to say that “Compact Development” is the theme of these workshops.

Mr. Carreras reported on a workshop that took place on May 30, 2002 with SCAG’s HUD TA Partners UCLA Advance Policy Institute on “Reclaiming Brown Fields for Community Needs”.

54. Growth Visioning Subcommittee Report

Mark Butala, Senior Regional Planner, gave a summary of the last Growth Visioning meeting and summarized the process on several issues.

In closing, Mr. Butala invited the Committee to attend the Regional Council Retreat Session I which will have a brief presentation on looking at the integration between growth visioning, growth forecasting, the RTP and the EIR by Jim Gosnell, Director

of Planning & Policy, along with the current Chair of Growth Visioning, Mayor Pro Tem Bev Perry.

Mayor Betty DeSantis expressed concern that the retreat session was not publicized to the non-RC members.

6.0 THE VICE-CHAIR'S REPORT

Mayor Alexander, the newly elected Chair of the CEHD Committee, discussed the July meeting of this Committee and a decision was made to have a meeting on July 11, 2002, pending ability to get quorum.

7.0 STAFF REPORT ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jacob Lieb, Senior Regional Planner, reported briefly on the progress on the Income Equity Task Force saying that there have been two meetings and they are reviewing the issue of housing allocations related to relative affordability and fairness in the region. He mentioned that there has been some great progress and he commended Professor Dowell Myers of USC who facilitates the discussions along with the members.

8.0 COMMENT PERIOD

Councilmember Shirley McCracken made a comment on SB 910 (Dunn), informing the Committee that the hearing on this bill took place on June 5, with the outcome being that the bill was moved forward as a bill in progress. She further stated that the bill has been amended to put in a number of revisions on the RHNA process.

Mayor Cristina Cruz Madrid mentioned that being an alternate on LAFCO for Los Angeles County, at a meeting on June 5 a vote was taken in which an approval of the election of the session of Hollywood from the City of Los Angeles. The Chair stated that it might be interesting to have a presentation on the ramifications of what an ultimate break could do.

Councilmember Kathryn McCullough was very upset about the incorrect directions to Universal City on the agendas. After hearing her concerns, some of the other Committee members also voiced their opinion on the incorrect directions. SCAG staff promises to bring their concerns to the attention of Director Jim Gosnell.

9.0 ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor William Alexander, **Chair**
Councilmember Laura Richardson-Batts

SANBAG Subregion
City of Long Beach

Councilmember Ralph Bauer
Supervisor Robert (Bob) Buster
Councilmember Jeff Comerchero
Mayor Betty DeSantis
Council
Councilmember Alta E. Duke, **Vice-Chair**
Councilmember Henry Harkema
Mayor Cristina Cruz Madrid (arrived 11:10 am)
Councilmember Shirley McCracken
Mayor Kathryn McCullough
Mayor John McTaggart
Mayor Pro Tem Bev Perry (departed 10:45 am)
Councilmember Bedford Pinkard
Councilmember Deborah Robertson (arrived 10:25 am)
Councilmember Bob Yousefian

City of Huntington Beach
County of Riverside
WRCOG Subregion
Las Virgenes Malibu Conejo

City of La Palma
City of Paramount
SGVCOG Subregion
OCCOG Subregion
OCCOG Subregion
South Bay Cities COG
City of Brea
City of Oxnard
SANBAG Subregion
City of Glendale

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Mayor Robert Bruesch
Mayor Pro Tem Mike Dispenza
Councilmember Bart Doyle
Mayor David Eshleman
Mayor Ronald Loveridge
Councilmember Marsha Ramos
Councilmember M. Jo Shields
Mayor George Stettler
Mayor Pro Tem Van T. Tran

City of Rosemead
City of Palmdale
City of Sierra Madre
City of Fontana
City of Riverside
Arroyo Verdugo Subregion
City of Brawley
CVAG Subregion
City of Garden Grove

Signed: _____
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